GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:609
ANSWERED ON:17.05.2007
INTRODUCTION OF PILGRIMAGE TRAINS
Gadhavi Shri Pushpdan Shambhudan

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have any plan to introduce superfast pilgrimage trains with concessional fares;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways have any plans to construct Yatri Niwas accommodations for pilgrims at various places; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI LALU PRASAD)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 609 BY SHRI P.S. GADHAVI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 17-05-2007 REGARDING INTRODUCTION OF PILGRIMAGE TRAINS.

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): However, Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) has a plan to set up 100 budget hotels for tourists including pilgrims, through public private partnership. Out of these, some locations are important from pilgrimage point of view.